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To: Microsoft ATR
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Dear Judge Kollar-Kotally,

I'm writing to you as a Supporter the Free Market. Recently it was brought to my attention that over the past 3 years every federal court that has reviewed the Microsoft antitrust case has found that Microsoft repeatedly and aggressively violated U.S. antitrust laws and was liable for its illegal conduct. It was also surprising to know that the Justice Department had announced that it had cut a back-room deal (the Proposed Final Judgement) with Microsoft that granted Microsoft a government mandated monopoly that threatened to destroy any and all serious Microsoft competitors. How can this be allowed to happen? Why here, in a free capitalist country, is it permitted to allow a company like Microsoft infringe the rights of consumers and competitors everywhere. Men have gone before us, seen the issue, and have made a way so that the rights of consumers and other competitors were protected. So why now is there an exception to the rule to let Microsoft be allowed to abuse antitrust laws?

Sure the name Microsoft has prestige, and people trust in the company's quality, however no good can ever come of a monopoly. That is why the Tunney Act passed by Congress is so vital because it ensures that all antitrust settlements proposed by the Justice Department are not "contrary to the public interest." Believe me, the public interest wants to see the Microsoft Industry put to a stop before it completely wipes out all of its competitors--other defenders and leaders of the free world.

Sincerely,
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